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METHOD OF FINE STRUCTURES

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Signed by: Amber Veenendaal

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 1, 2009. Claims 1-21 are pending.  
Claims 1-21 were restricted under 35 USC § 121 as follows:

- I. Claims 1-11 are said to be drawn to a flexible mold.
- II. Claims 12-18 are said to be drawn to a method of making a flexible mold.
- III. Claims 19-21 are said to be drawn to a method of using a flexible mold.

**Election**

In response, Applicants elect Group I, with traverse.

The Applicant submits that Groups II and III include the same technical features as claim 1 of Group I. Hence, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the restriction requirement upon the allowance of Group I.

Reconsideration and withdrawal or modification of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the indicated telephone number with questions that can be resolved with a simple teleconference.

Respectfully submitted,

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